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**For:** **GLOBAL DISTRIBUTED SWITCH**  
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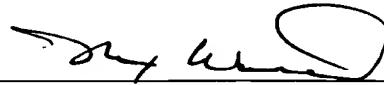
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the Examiner that a prior art search conducted before preparation of the present application failed to uncover any references considered to be particularly relevant to the present invention.

Should the Examiner have any questions after reviewing this Information Disclosure Statement, he is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorneys.

Respectfully,  
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